Victoria L. Ponish 524 Brittany Drive 6 3 State College, PA 16803

March 27, 2001

Docket No. 00N-1396/00D-1598 FDA Commissioner Dockets Management Branch (IAA-305) Food and Drug Administration 5630 Fishers Lane Room 1061 Rockville, MD 20852

Commissioner:

I am writing this letter to express my desire to have mandatory labeling and extensive mandatory pre-market safety testing and environmental review on all foods sold and processed in this country. Please amend the Proposed Rules on Genetically Engineered Foods to reflect this.

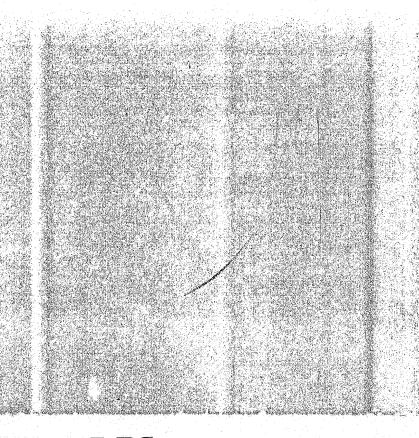
As a citizen of this country, it is the responsibility of all who farm, process, and sell food to have all available information concerning these foods labeled for the consumer. We trust the FDA to monitor and set a mandate for all those involved in food production. As consumers we need clear and concise information so we can make good choices for ourselves and our families. Mandatory labeling will do this.

I urge you to revise the Proposed Rules on Genetically Engineered Foods, and make mandatory labeling a standard in this country.

Sincerely

Victoria L. Ponish

00N-1396 C 4477



Victoria Ponish



